

Staff—Maharaja's College—particulars regarding.

217. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (Wadakkancheri).—
Will the Government be pleased to state:—

- (a) the number of Professors and Assistant Professors in each branch of study in the Maharaja's College;
- (b) the number of hours of lecturing work done by each one of them;
- (c) the number of hours of laboratory work for each;
- (d) the number of hours of library work for each;
- (e) the number of hours of lecturing, library and laboratory work expected of each Professor and Assistant Professor by the University?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (Director of Public Instruction).—

(a) *Department Professors Assistant-Professors.*

English	2	6
Languages	1	13
		Pandits
Mathematics	1	4
Physics	1	6
Chemistry	1	7
Nat. Science	1	6
History and Economics	1	4

(b), (c) and (d). Please see statement appended. (*Appendix III*).

(e) A copy of the letter dated 10th September 1936, No. X. A. 9325 from the Registrar, University of Madras, is appended. (*Appendix IV*).

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (Wadakkancheri).—Is there any other Professor of Physics in the Maharaja's College other than Mr. N. R. Ramachandra Ayyar? Mr. President, I may be allowed to connect questions 217 and 218 together to put supplementary questions.

Mr. President. —Yes.

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (Director of Public Instruction).—
He is the only full time Professor.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Wadakkancheri*).—May I know whether the Principal of the College is doing any Professorial work?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*).—No.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Wadakkancheri*).—May I know, Sir, whether he is not a Physics Graduate with high academic qualifications?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*).—He is an M. Sc. in Physics.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Wadakkancheri*).—Is he doing any lecturing work?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*).—I cannot say. He was doing it in the past.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Wadakkancheri*).—Has he any work apart from lecturing? Has he got any laboratory work?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*).—He is supervising the laboratory work.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Wadakkancheri*).—May I know what the Principal is paid?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*).—He is paid the Professor's grade of Rs. 500 plus a duty allowance of Rs. 200.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Wadakkancheri*).—For the Professor's grade of Rs. 500 may I know what Professorial work he is doing?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*).—Because he is paid the pay of a Professor, it does not mean that he must do Professorial work. The pay of the Principal is the pay of a Professor plus Rs. 200 duty allowance.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Wadakkancheri*).—May I know, Sir, whether the Principals of the College, till the advent of Mr. Mills, were doing lecturing work for a large number of hours?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*).—Not large number. They used to do some amount of work.

As a matter of fact, I am absolutely certain that Mr. Pai was doing lecturing work for 2 hours.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Wadakkancheri*).—What about Mr. S. K. Subramania Ayyar?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*).—I want notice.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon (*Adur*).—What is the duty allowance for?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*).—It is an allowance paid for the discharge of special duties.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon (*Adur*).—What are the special duties for which he is paid for?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*).—He is the Head of an institution like a First Grade College and he has to do administrative work and supervision work. In the case of the present Principal, he is a specialist in Science.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon (*Adur*).—The allowance is for doing it. What is his pay for?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*).—There seems to be a thorough misconception that the Principal's remuneration includes the basic pay of a Professor which means that he has to do the work of a Professor and Rs. 200 for additional work.

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Pallippuram*).—Do they do any work in the Presidency College?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*).—In some cases they have been doing work for one hour and some two hours.

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Pallippuram*).—Here is a specialised gentleman with high academic distinction brought down. Why don't you enable the students to get the benefit of this man's services?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*).—It is a matter of the internal administration of the College and I think I cannot answer it without due notice as to what are the circumstances and conditions that led the Principal to give up this teaching work in preference to any other work.

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Pallippuram*).—What is the idea of having 34 Assistant Professors for 8 Professors?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*).—The Hon'ble Member who was a member of the Retrenchment Committee knows and it must have been included in their report, and the question whether there is any possibility of retrenchment is engaging the attention of the Government.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Wadakkancheri*).—May I know, Sir, whether for doing the laboratory as well as the library work the practice in other approved colleges is not to have professors or tutors of a lower grade rather than have Assistant Professors on the uniform scale of Rs. 80-200?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*).—It is not the tutors who are doing laboratory work in other colleges. In the case of practical work in science in many colleges it is persons in the grade of tutors called demonstrators that do the work. We had also the same grades. Many of the Assistant Professors were in that grade. They were in the 80-125 grade and it is only afterwards that the scale of pay of all Assistant Professors, whether they were of the senior type or junior type was equalised and that was done also on the recommendation of the University Commission.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Wadakkancheri*).—May I know whether the practice obtaining in other approved colleges under the University is not anything which will be satisfactorily worked in our college, that is, the lower grade tutors or demonstrators as you said? Whether such staff will not suffice to do that sort of work that is being done in other colleges by such men?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*).—It was after consideration of all these that the University insisted that their pay should be raised.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Wadakkancheri*).—Was it on the insistence of the University that the pay was raised?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*).—Insistence means a kind of very strong recommendation with regard to this college.

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Pallippuram*).—But, Sir, there are other colleges in similar circumstances.

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*).—It is left to the University Commission and to the Vice-Chancellor to issue instructions which we are only to carry out. We can only protest but without any effect.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon (*Adur*).—Am I to take it, Sir, that the Principal of the college is competent to teach Physics in the B. A. and B. Sc. Physics classes?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*).—He was doing it in the Christian College.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon (*Adur*).—The maximum hours of lecturing work which can be assigned to a professor is 14 hours?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*).—Yes.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon (*Adur*).—Is there any reason why the maximum hours of lecturing work assigned to any Professor or Assistant Professor is only 5 hours?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*).—The Hon'ble Member will kindly read the letter from the Registrar which refers to certain conditions. It says that the maximum hours of work is 14 which should be resorted only as an exception and not as a rule.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon (*Adur*).—So this Mr. N. R. Ramachandra Ayyar is doing one third of the maximum work which the University has prescribed.

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*).—When the University said that 14 hours of work can be done it is not exclusive of laboratory work.

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Pallippuram*).—What is the work of the Assistants?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*).—The Assistant Professors simply supervise the practical work done by the students.

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Pallippuram*).—What is the Professor doing?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*).—The Hon'ble Member who is himself a doctor knows the difference between lecturing and practical work.

Mr. President.—I think I must say something with reference to this supplementary question. I have myself considered that many of the Professors and Assistant Professors in the College are not doing as much work as they could be expected to do. Whenever we take up this question the insistence of the Syndicate and all that, are shown to us and I am afraid that the question has not been tackled properly so far. As a matter of fact, with regard to pay, for instance, I do not think that the University can insist, that we are to pay a certain amount to Professors. Missionary Colleges give a pay very much smaller than what is paid here. I propose to take up this question in all seriousness and for that purpose I propose to accept the recommendations of the Retrenchment Committee.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (Wadakkancheri).—In view of that, I do not propose to put any further supplementary question.

218. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (Wadakkancheri).—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the number of hours of lecturing and laboratory work done by the Professor of Physics in the Maharaja's College;

(b) the number of hours of lecturing and laboratory work done by each of the Assistant Professors of Physics in the Maharaja's College?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (Director of Public Instruction).—

No. of hours of work in a week.

	<i>Lecturing</i>	<i>Laboratory</i>
(a) Mr. N. R. Ramachandra Ayyar, Professor	5 hours	9 hours
(b) 1. Mr. Paul D'Alapat, Assistant Professor	5 „	10 „
2. „ P. R. Subbarama Ayyar, Assistant Professor,	3 „	11 „
3. „ E. Raman Menon, Assistant Professor	3 „	12 „
4. „ P. S. Easwara Ayyar, Assistant Professor	3 „	10 „
5. „ V. K. Raghunandana Menon, Assistant Professor	2 „	12 „
6. „ A. S. Victor, Assistant Professor	2 „	12 „

APPENDIX III.

(Question No. 217).

Serial No.	Name	Designation	No. of hours of work in a week			Library
			Lecturing	*Set Books	Translation or Composition	
ENGLISH DEPARTMENT.						
1	Mr. P. Sankaran Nambiar	Professor	6	1	2 Composition	1 Tutorial
2	Dr: G F Papali	do	4		2 do	
3	Mr K J Augustine	Assistant Professor	6		2 do	2 do
4	„ K V Krishna Ayyar	do	4		5 do	
5	„ L V Ramaswamy Ayyar	do	4	2	2 do	2 do
6	„ K N Sundara Ayyar	do	4	1	4 do	1 do
7	„ T C Balakrishna Menon	do		3	5 do	2 do
8	Miss C Thankam Amma	do	2	2	4 do	2 do
*Lecturing and writing work alternately						
LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT						
1	Prince Kerala Varma	Professor	6		3 Translation	
2	Mr. P M Sankaran Nambiar	Assistant Professor	4		6 do	
3	„ K. Kesavan Nayar	Malayalam Pandit	6		4 Composition	
4	„ P S Ananthanarayana Sastry	Sanskrit Pandit	7		3 Translation	
5	„ K P Karuppan	Additional Malayalam Pandit	6		5 Composition	

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Serial No.	Name	Designation	Lecturing	Laboratory	Library
MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT.					
1	Mr. G R Narayana Ayyar	Professor	10		2 Tuto-
2	„ K Gopala Panikker	Assistant Professor	7	5	rial
3	„ T S Ramanatha Ayyar	do	9	3	1 do
4	„ N P Subramania Ayyar	do	10	3	1 do
5	„ P Achyutan Pillai	do	9	2	2 do
PHYSICS DEPARTMENT.					
1	Mr. N R Ramachandra Ayyar	Professor	5	8	1 do
2	„ Paul D'Alapat	Assistant Professor	5	10	
3	„ P R Subrama Ayyar	do	3	10	1 do
4	„ E Raman Menon	do	3	10	2 do
5	„ P S Eswara Ayyar	do	3	10	
6	„ V K Regunanthana Menon	do	2	12	
7	„ A S Victor	do	2	12	
CHEMISTRY DEPARTMENT.					
1	Dr. K N Menon	Professor	6	8	
2	Mr. A R Subramania Ayyar	Assistant Professor	4	10	
3	„ V T Sreedhara Menon	do	3	10	1 do
4	„ K V Krishna Warriar	do		14	
5	„ K Kunjan Raja	do	6	8	
6	„ P S Mayuranathan	do	4	10	
7	„ C J Peter	do	6	7	do
8	„ T Madhava Menon	do	6	6	
NATURAL SCIENCE DEPARTMENT					
1	Mr. K Karunakaran Nayar	Professor	5	5	do
2	„ P Narayana Menon	Assistant Professor	6	8	

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Serial No.	Name	Designation	Lecturing	Laboratory	Library
NATURAL SCIENCE DEPARTMENT—(cont.)					
3	Mr. N Balakrishnan Nayar	Assistant Professor	4	9	1 Tutorial
4	„ M Krishna Menon	do	5	8	
5	Prince Rama Varma	do	2	12	
6	Mr. K. G Krishna Rao	do	5	8	
7	„ A Raman	do	5	8	
HISTORY & ECONOMICS DEPARTMENTS.					
1	Mr. T C Sankara Menon	Professor	10		1 Library
2	„ V Ramanatha Ayyar	Assistant Professor	10		
3	„ K Rama Ayyar	do	13		
4	„ W Krishnankutty Menon	do	12		
5	„ P S Velayudhan	do	12		
LOGIC DEPARTMENT.					
1	Dr. G F Papali	Professor of English in charge of Logic	8		

APPENDIX IV.

(Question No. 217.)

Letter X. A. 9325 dated 10th September 1936 from the Registrar, University of Madras.

I have the honour to inform you that the Syndicate recently considered the question of the staff provided for the teaching of English in respect of a particular First Grade College, and has ruled that there should be at least four Lecturers in English in that College.

The question of the maximum number of fourteen hours a week laid down for teaching work for a person on a college staff was also considered in this connection, and I am to state that the Syndicate desires it to be understood that the fourteen hours are to be regarded as the *maximum* of lecturing hours that a Lecturer may be called upon to perform, and that it does not follow that every Lecturer should be given fourteen hours' work to do; the fourteen hours may be regarded rather as the exception than the normal maximum. The nature and character of the work, including practical work and the number of practical note-books and composition exercises a Lecturer is called upon to correct must be taken into consideration in arriving at the total number of hours of teaching work allotted.

(Sd.) Registrar.

Copy to.—

The Director of Public Instruction, of Madras.

The Director of Public Instruction, Cochin, Trichur.

The Director of Public Instruction, Travancore, Trivandrum.